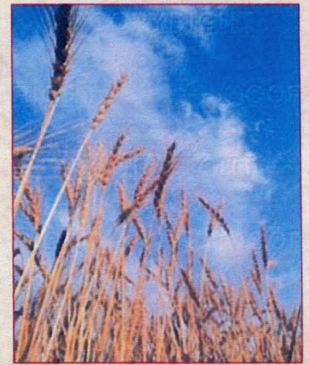


VOICE OF THE VINEYARD

"Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." *Matthew 9:37-38*



President's Message



*"The invitation is to come
unto Christ...the promise
is that you may be
perfected in Christ..."*

Moroni's invitation to all of us in the last chapter of the Book of Mormon is worth careful study. He says, "Yea come unto Christ, and be perfected in him, and deny yourselves of all ungodliness; and if you shall deny yourselves of all ungodliness, and love God with all your might, mind and strength, then is his grace sufficient for you, that by his grace ye may be perfect in Christ; and if by the grace of God ye are perfect in Christ, ye can in nowise deny the power of God. And again, if ye by the grace of God are perfect in Christ, and deny not his power, then are ye sanctified in Christ by the grace of God, through the shedding of the blood of Christ, which is in the covenant of the Father unto the remission of your sins, that ye become holy without spot." The invitation is to come unto Christ, deny yourselves of all ungodliness, and love God with all your might, mind and strength. The promise is that you may be perfect in Christ, be sanctified in Christ, have a remission of your sins, and become holy without spot.

In John 17 we learn that by being one with Christ we may be made perfect. Verse 22 - 23 says, "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou has sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." As we are one with Christ we are made perfect and sanctified through the truth (vs. 19).

Unity in following Christ appears to be essential to being sanctified and made perfect in Christ. In John 17:21, the Lord prays that those who believe on the words of the Apostles and Prophets may be one as Christ and the Father are one. In order to be one as servants of the Lord we need to do the following:

1. Be in complete agreement on your vision and goals for your proselyting area. Agreement comes through sitting in council together and listening for the direction of the Spirit. The Lord will always reveal the same thing to each member of the companionship. If there is disagreement one or both of you is wrong and you need to humble yourselves and work together to know and understand the Lord's will.

2. All contention should be eliminated from your relationship with your companion. In Mosiah 18:21 the Lord says through Alma, "And he commanded them that there should be no contention one with another, but they should look forward with one eye, having ... their hearts knit together in unity and in love one towards another." In 3 Nephi 11:29-30 the Lord Himself says, "For verily, verily I say unto you, he that hath the spirit of contention is not of me, but is of the devil, who is the father of contention, and he stirreth up the hearts of men to contend with anger, one with another. Behold, this is not my doctrine, to stir up the hearts of men with anger, one against another; but this is my doctrine, that such things should be done away."

3. Eliminate confusion in all your doings as a companionship. In the Doctrine and Covenants 132:8 the Lord says, "Behold, mine house is a house of order, saith the Lord God, and not a house of confusion." Again in James 3:16-18 the Lord tells us through His Apostle that where there is envying and strife there is confusion and the fruit of righteousness is peace. Study these verses carefully.

Elders and Sisters, move forward in unity. The Lord will bless you as you work together. Talk to each other in a Spirit of love and humility. This is the Lord's work and He will support you in all your righteous efforts. God Bless you.

We love you and appreciate your desires to be faithful servants of the Lord.

President and Sister Sonne

Welcome New Missionaries!

Incoming September 26, 2007

*Spanish Program



Elder Riggs
Ramah,
New Mexico



Elder Phelps
Abingdon,
Virginia



Sister Parker
Centralia,
Washington



Elder Bravo*
Bayonne,
New Jersey



Elder Hartzell*
Gahanna,,
Ohio



Elder Parkes
Toronto, ON
Canada



Elder Bieber
Vernon, BC
Canada



Elder Flores*
Victoria,
Texas



Elder Brock
Fayetteville,
No. Carolina



Elder Constante*
Montgomery Vige,
Maryland



Elder Stewart*
Kennewick,
Washington



Elder Letoa
Savaii,
Samoa



Elder Corona*
Midway City,
California



Elder Paulus
Namur,
Belgium

Arrived 08 Sep
Elder Ercin
McKinney,
Texas
(Originally
from Turkey)



Welcome New Senior Missionaries



Elder & Sister
Sansom

We are so happy to be joining you in the Utah Salt Lake City Mission. Having served full time in the England Leeds Mission (2003-05), we know of the missionary spirit and hard work.

Elder Sansom was born and raised in Salt Lake City, where he graduated from the U of U in Electrical Engineering. He spent 41 years in the Air Force and Utah National Guard and also commanded a unit at Hill Air Force Base. He has held various church callings, have been a high councilman and in the bishopric twice. Sister Sansom was born in California and raised in Salt Lake City. We met at the U of U Institute of Religion and were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

We have also lived in Mississippi and Alabama with the Air Force, and England while on our mission. We have 4 children and 7 grandchildren, 4 young ones of which will make great future missionaries. We have been friends with the Nortons for years & appreciate their training & know we have very big shoes to fill.



Baptisms:

	Aug
Granite.....	11
Helaman.....	14
Magna.....	05
Moroni.....	11
Olympus.....	06
Pioneer.....	08
Temple.....	09
Tooele.....	07
West Valley.....	13
Wyoming.....	05

Mission Totals:

July	138
Aug	89

Master Teacher



ELDER
FRITZLER



SISTER
TOTH



ELDER
KENNINGTON

Certified Teachers

Elder Fritzler

Elder Galicia

Sister Toth

Sister Widdison



Zone Conference
Jeopardy Winners:
Elder Stovall
Sister Burkhart

Welcome New Apartment Inspectors



Elder & Sister Harmon



Elder & Sister Wotring



Elders & Sisters:

*Remember to send in your suggestions
for our mission motto/crest/logo to
the office as soon as possible.
Contest ends soon.*



ASSISTANTS TO THE PRESIDENT

Spring and Summer have gone but we are still working, and that is what our Heavenly Father is seeing. Certainly He will bless us with everything needed to accomplish our mission. But we also need to remember that there will always be opposition in all things, and the cold weather can sometimes be that opposition. We have some great examples of people who have overcome this, for example, many of the pioneers gave their own lives while following the counsel of the prophet, and now we can see the fruits of their work. In the same way that we obey our Heavenly Father's commandments, we can receive the strength to overcome troubles and go on to find our brothers and sisters who are ready to receive the gospel. El evangelio es verdadero, Dios confia en nosotros, Sigamos Adelante.

*Love, Elder Munoz,
Elder Riggs
& Elder Hicks*



Congratulations to **Elder Hicks** who has completed the "Coaching the Van Driver 11" course!





Departing Missionaries

Departing Senior Missionaries



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Oh Mercy! The time has come!

What a privilege, what a joy it has been to serve the Lord along with all you wonderful Elders and Sisters,

President and Sister Moeller, President and Sister Sonne and the office staff. We have had the blessing of

watching you enter the mission, grow and mature in faith, feeling your testimonies of the truths that you are teaching and grow and mature in the Gospel. Your ability and enthusiasm to share the good news of the Restoration to people of all faiths, nationalities, or circumstances is beyond outstanding! We have enjoyed the spirit each of you radiate as we have mingled at zone conferences, devotionals, in the office, and whenever we've been with you anywhere. What an honor it has been to see the blessings that come from obedience to mission rules as you have taken the attitude of Nephi in 1 Nephi 3:7. Thanks for being the outstanding young people that you are. We will miss your powerful presence, your warm and enthusiastic embrace, and the great strength of your testimony. Thanks for letting us serve with you. We love each of you and have loved being a part of your lives. We are determined to follow King Benjamin's counsel as recorded in Mosiah 4:30, and pray that you will also.

Litter Bag will be looking for cousins at reunions!

Love, Elder & Sister Norton



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Hello, Elders & Sisters, I love this gospel so much! I am so

incredibly grateful for the opportunity I have had to be a full-time missionary. It is a blessing to proclaim the gospel to those we meet in the Utah Salt Lake City Mission. This truly is the Best Mission in the world, and what an honor it has been to serve with and around the Best Missionaries. I love you all so much. I love our Savior, Jesus Christ. This is His gospel. This is His work. He trusts us to do His will. That is incredible! Jesus is the Christ, our Redeemer, the son of God. I love our Father in Heaven, He has given us everything we have; and when much is given, much is required. I LOVE BEING A MISSIONARY! This has truly been "The Best Two Years."

Love, Elder Stallings

This time for sure has been the best two years of my life, and all the experiences, and friends will be in my heart forever. I'm so grateful to have served my LORD sharing the gospel with our brothers and sisters, and I know that the LORD is working with us. Also I know that the LORD is preparing and has prepared people to receive the gospel, and I know that when we forget ourselves in the work we will receive the blessings. Gracias por todo Moroni y Helaman ustedes son mi familia y nunca los voy a olvidar, sigan adelante la obra es verdadera, se que quizas con algunos esta sera la ultima ves que los vea, pero se que el Señor nos va a bendecir para seguir trabajando juntos en la proxima vida. Los amoo muchooooo, siempre van a estar en mis oraciones, su amigo ELDER MUÑOZ.

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These past 2 years have gone by fast. I have learned so many things. The misión was the best thing I have done in my life to this point. Jesus Christ died for us but some people don't understand that. This is why the Lord has trusted us with this work. So keep working, keep firm. I am grateful to have served with the missionaries and everyone around me. Thank you President and Sister Sonne and the office staff for all the work that you do. God lives, Jesus is the Christ, Joseph is a prophet, the Church is true. A toda mi gente en español los quiero un chorro ver a helaman y moroni las mejores zonas de esta mision por que tiene a los mejores misioneros del mundo escogidos especialmente para estar aquí. cosy y jardon take care of each other a todos los paisas...trabajen y pasenla chido altu is gone...los very muy pronto mantenganse en contacto, chido no es un adios es un chaucito. Elder Altuzarra

"Servants, be obedient...with fear and trembling, in singleness of your Heart, as unto Christ; Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the Heart." (Ephesians 6:5-6) I would

encourage all missionaries throughout this mission, please, follow Paul's admonition and bring your will in line with the Savior's. When you do this, you will find that this will be the most rewarding time of your life. The veil is so thin for this part of our lives, please stay close to Christ and He will bless you in His work. "Finally, my Brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the Power of his Might." I love you all and remember, be strong, be faithful, and be true. Work your heart out; I mean it! Elder Osborn

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Well, time flies and the work of the Lord goes forward. I have always thought about it this way: This is the Lord's work and it will go on with me or without me. I just have the great opportunity to be a servant for a very short time. I know that God lives, that Jesus is the Christ and that Joseph Smith did talk with Them. I have loved the mission and the people which whom I have served. Bueno los Quiero muchísimo gracias a todos mis companeros los extranare mucho pero en el evangelio los amigos son para siempre.

"Should We Not Go On in So Great A Cause."

With much love,
Elder Machuca

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Departing Missionaries Continued



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Well, just like President Kimball once said, "Our life should be like a pair of shoes...worn out in the service of the Lord." And after

these two years I can definitely say I am worn out. Just like the 6 pairs of shoes that I went through. It has been the hardest, most rewarding 2 years of my life. I have learned so much and loved preaching the gospel to my friends here in Salt Lake (and Tooele, Wendover, and Wyoming.) The Lord truly does bless those who serve Him. The church is true! God lives, Jesus is the Christ, together they appeared to the boy Joseph Smith, to open the door for this great and final dispensation, so that we can receive the blessings of the gospel, if we will. The Book of Mormon is evidence of all of this. I honestly feel like Ammon in Alma 26:5. Keep the faith. Much Love, Elder Shurtleff

Well, to the Elders and Sisters: This has been the greatest experience, to serve in the Salt Lake City Mission. To my companions, E. Latu (ummm...) "I'm not sure about it." E. Stovall... "I'm Buda," E. Miller, I guess you can just say "He Sweep Me off My Feet"...LOL and E. Sanchez "It's 30th East not 300 East."

Wow...Just a thought from Elder Thompson:

20 White Shirts	\$200.00
2 Pairs of Shoes	\$160.00
2 Suits	\$430.00
6 Pairs of Slacks	\$320.00
20 Polyester Ties	\$ 40.00

Preaching the gospel for 2 years: **"Priceless"**

(For everything else, there's MasterCard...)

Thanks also to Temple Zone!!! Elders and Sisters, thanks for all the fun times, just take it easy. (E. Visser, you think you're ready?) To my Polynesian Warriors the Brotherhood of Peace...stay strong and serve with honor (ofa,atu). I bear you all my testimony; the church is true. Joseph Smith was a prophet and Gordon B. Hinckley is our prophet today. Much love and Aloha. Elder Thompson (P.S. Surf's Up!!)



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Elders and Sisters, my time is up, I'm grateful that I have given these two years to my Heavenly Father. The blessings that come from being a missionary are so many; my favorite part has been seeing those people who really grasp the message come to the fold. One thing I would like to impress upon you is the message that's found in Alma 37:37 *"Counsel with the Lord in all thy doings..."*

It's amazing to see how much He wants to be part of our lives, and how He is so willing to help us. To all my companions, thanks for all that you taught me. I have grown because of all of you. To all, I wish you much success and you will always be in my prayers. Love, Elder Hatt

Happy Birthday

25 Sep Elder Phelps	12 Oct Elder Robbins
03 Oct Elder Koskinen	14 Oct Elder Ercin
10 Oct Elder Rueda	16 Oct Elder Burton
11 Oct Sister Widdison	28 Oct Elder Woods



Never forget why we are serving the Lord. A philosopher once said, "Tell me sufficiently why a thing should be done, and I will move

Heaven and Earth to do it." The Prophet Joseph Smith said, *"It is impossible for a man to be saved in ignorance."* (D&C131:6) We have been called and chosen to bring the gospel into the lives of the children of God. Let's not treat our calling lightly. These people need the gospel in order to return to our Father in Heaven. That is why this work is so vital.

I know this is the true gospel of Jesus Christ restored through the Prophet Joseph Smith. Nothing matters more than that. This has been the greatest period in my life. Stay strong and don't waste it. Take care, Elder Thornton

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As I contemplate these "best two years" I cannot help but be overwhelmed with joy. *"Behold, my joy is full, yea, my heart is brim with joy and I will rejoice in my God"* (Alma 26:16). From Rose Park to Wendover, this experience has been great and I have been richly blessed by the Lord.

I love my companions, Presidents Moeller and Sonne and their wives, and dozens of other missionaries, members, etc. with whom I've associated. This is God's work. We are His servants. These are the latter-days. "Let us all press on in the work of the Lord." Oh hermanos, adios, pues adios; el momento de ir vino ya; si guardamos la fe en el gran Dios, nos veremos aun mas alla." Elders & Sister, God be with you'till we meet again.

Love Elder Gardner AKA "El Maestro"



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1 Timothy 6:11-12: *"But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and has professed a good profession before many witnesses."* I have learned what it is to become a man of God. I know that when we seek after these things that our testimony of the Savior is strengthened. I know that my Savior lives, that Joseph Smith was a prophet. I know that the Book of Mormon is true and that we are all called to teach God's children.

Love, Elder Ross

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Zone Conference with Elder Pingree:

"When we do all we can, the Lord will fill in the rest. What if the Savior came and didn't do the atonement? It was too hard. Or if Joseph Smith didn't acknowledge that he had seen the Father and the Son; it was too hard. **Sacrifice is part of this work.**"